

A manga-style illustration of a young man with dark hair, looking slightly to the side with a faint, unsettling smile. His face and white shirt are splattered with blood. He is wearing a grey jacket over a white collared shirt and a dark tie. The background is a solid dark purple.

# DEVILS LINE

Ryo Hanayama

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# DEVILS' LINE

R y o H a n a d a

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# CCC

## MPD PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION 5

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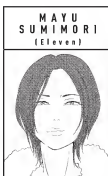
### A SQUAD



Responsible for all development, he has a crush on Zero Seven and left the CCC with her.



She was a CCC sniper, but she deserted and is now being pursued by both the CCC and the police.



Responsible for accounting and intelligence gathering, she's not very good at detail work and makes a lot of mistakes. Infatuated with Kikuhara.



A member of the CCC along with Kikuhara and Makimura. He attacked Tsukasa in a hotel.



Secretly a member of the CCC. He previously instructed Zero Seven in sniping.



The leader of A Squad, he's also secretly the commander of the CCC, an organization dedicated to the extermination of devils.



Half-devil, half-human, he's currently working with F Squad. Like Anzai, he is also from ONLO.



First year medical student in Keio University's graduate program. She's good at cooking and crafts. Her favorite food is sardines with grated daikon.

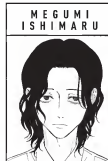
Friends



From ONLO  
Working together



Half-devil, half-human police officer. He was pessimistic regarding the coexistence of devils and humans, but his thinking has been changing since he met Tsukasa.



New F Squad leader. Since he came to F Squad at the recommendation of Kikuhara (Zero Two), he is suspected of being a spy.



Former F Squad leader, his inability to control his devil subordinates was regarded as problematic, and he was demoted from his position as leader.



A member of Investigation Division 1, he was assigned temporarily to Public Safety Division 5, where he is part of the ongoing investigation.



Devil police officer. Born and raised in Japan. She skillfully uses make-up to hide the bags under her eyes.



Doctor attached to F Squad specializing in the hematology of the redeye race, he was apparently a punk in his youth.



Psychosomatic doctor specializing in devil care, he is also a member of RZC, a committee that works to protect devil rights.

## Story

In a world where devils with blood-lust are secretly mixed in among the human population, graduate student Tsukasa Taira meets the half-devil half-human detective Yuuki Anzai, and they're immediately attracted to each other. But Anzai and Tsukasa's lives are in danger due to the secret maneuverings of the CCC, an organization intent on the annihilation of all devils. After many twists and turns, the two finally start dating. In the meantime, Ishimaru takes over the squad that Anzai belongs to, Public Safety Division 5's F Squad, which was previously led by Sawazaki. Ishimaru opens a thorough investigation into the CCC. The battle between the CCC and F Squad, plagued by half-truths and falsehoods, has begun.

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| Zero Seven |     |

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| Isolation |     |

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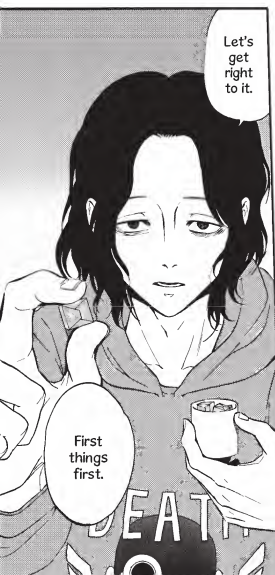




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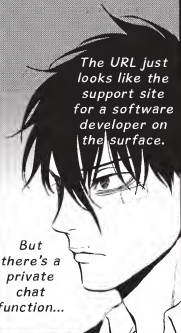




Four  
days  
earlier.

You gave  
her the  
address?!





The URL just looks like the support site for a software developer on the surface.

But there's a private chat function...

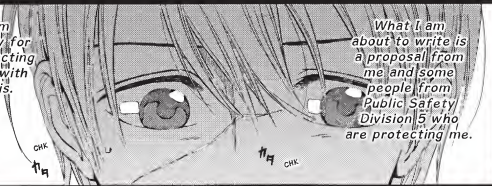


But we might be able to...

I'm sorry for contacting you with this.

CHK  
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CHK  
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What I am about to write is a proposal from me and some people from Public Safety Division 5 who are protecting me.

CHK  
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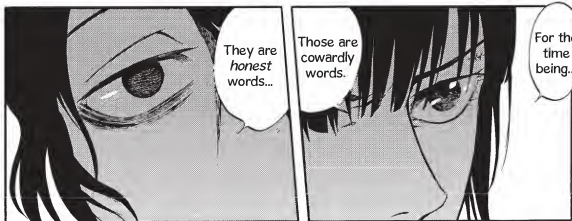


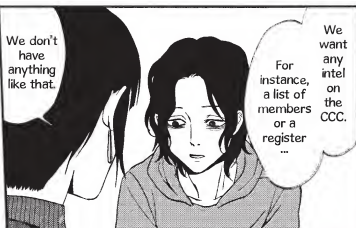
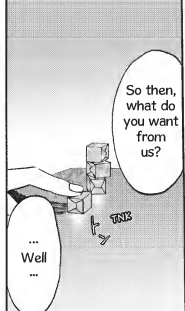
Let me just go over the conditions.

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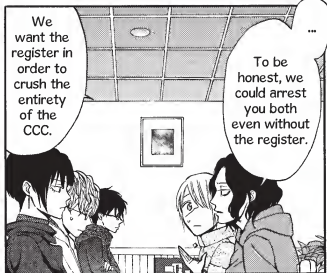
protect you, Nine and Seven,



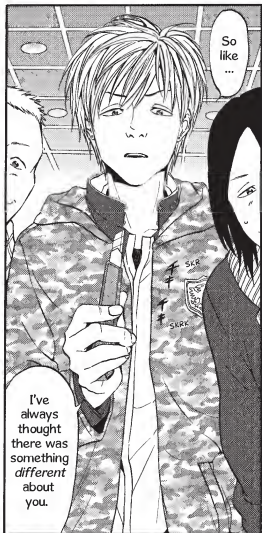
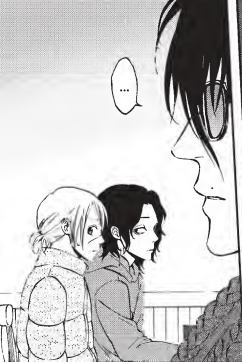




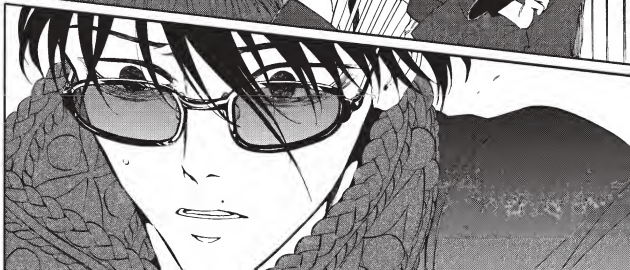
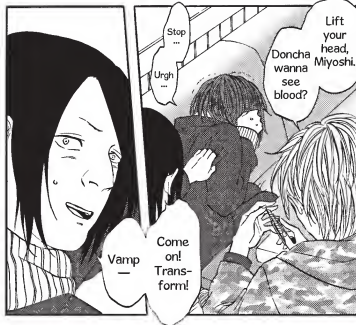
...  
Even so, it's not worth it.









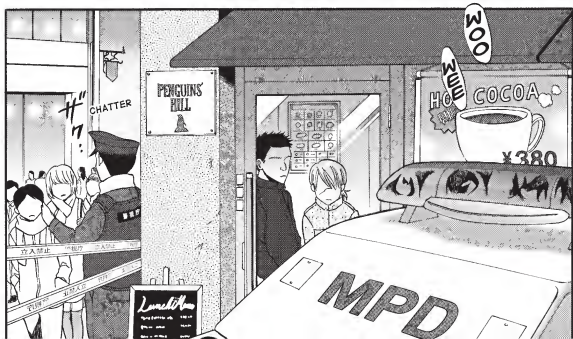




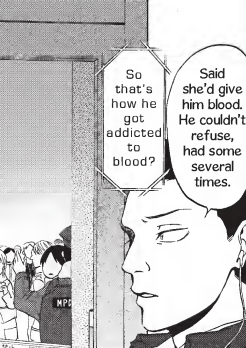






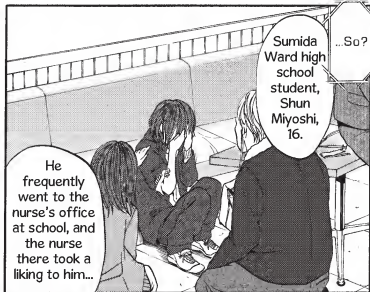






So that's how he got addicted to blood?

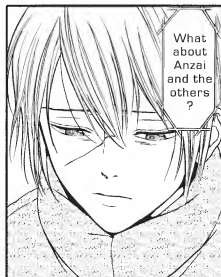
Said she'd give him blood. He couldn't refuse, had some several times.



He frequently went to the nurse's office at school, and the nurse there took a liking to him...

Sumida Ward high school student, Shun Miyoshi, 16.

...So?



What about Anzai and the others?



Says he's been skipping school the last few days to kick the habit.

His mother's here, too. We're handing him over to M Squad since Sumida Ward is their jurisdiction.



They fled before it turned into this circus.



I said it  
wasn't  
worth it,  
didn't  
L...?

So? How  
about it?  
Will you  
join us?



That was  
quite the  
interruption.



what  
kind of  
person  
he was.

A devil  
who died 15  
years ago.  
I want to  
know...

Ken'ichi  
Mori-  
sawa.



... I  
have one  
condition.



Yeah.

I'll be in touch.



...  
Understood.  
Ken'ichi  
Morisawa,  
was it?



...!



But...

If we're going to run, then joining them puts us at a disadvantage.



Huh?  
Well...

Do you think we should join them...?



You want to stop Kikuhara and the others from killing people, don't you?

Zero Seven.



Making inquiries?

About to.

can you look into a deceased devil by the name of Ken'ichi Morisawa?

?  
I can, later on...



Sawazaki.  
At Zero Seven's request...



but against that devil, he was surprisingly ...

This guy looks so spindly and weak.



I'll tell you once we get there...



I need to speak with Anzai.

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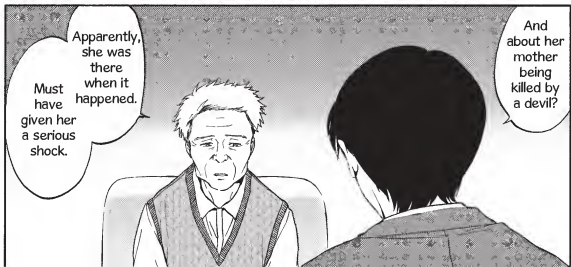
Okay, when we're done, we'll meet up at the warehouse.



...  
What?

We'll go on ahead.









She started talking about devils herself.



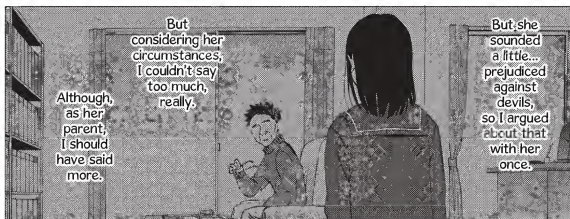
Yes.

Overcome?



But at some point, I realized she had overcome that.

For a while there she hated even seeing the word "devil."



Although, as her parent, I should have said more.

But considering her circumstances, I couldn't say too much, really.

But she sounded a little... prejudiced against devils, so I argued about that with her once.



What is it?

Maybe

... No, wait.



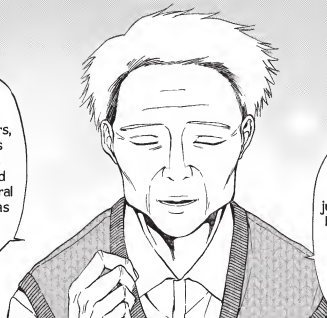
No idea... She never had friends over to the house.



Was there a change in the people she was friendly with then?

I wonder what the reason was for her overcoming it.

Fellow researchers, politicians we were connected with. Several students as well...



Back then, I sometimes held study meetings here at the house.

It was just a hobby, but all kinds of people would come.

Although there's no evidence ...

...



she spoke with one of them and it had some kind of influence.

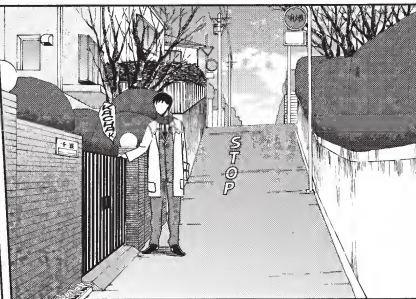
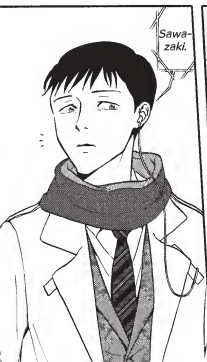
There's a possibility



Students...



Sawa-zaki.





Kano's not there?

To be honest, I don't want to hear about when he was at ONLO...



He's totally turned around and is telling me all sorts of things.

How far should I go in questioning Lee...?



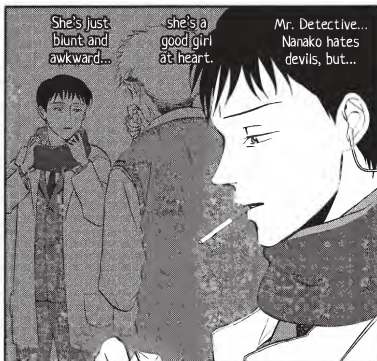
Roger ...

Ask him if we should cut out the stuff about ONLO.



Okay, the next time Kano comes by, show him the report.

In Saitama today. He said he sees patients at his own clinic half the week.



She's just blunt and awkward...

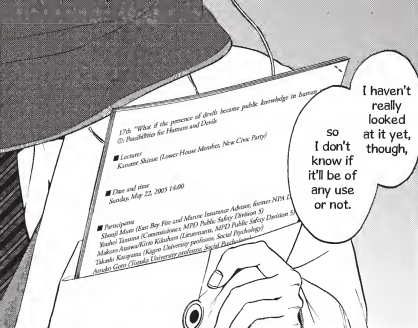
she's a good girl at heart.

Mr. Detective... Nanako hates devils, but...

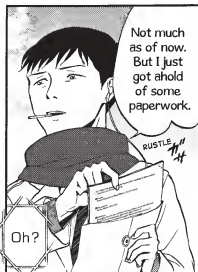


Well...

How's it going over there? Getting anything?



I haven't really looked at it yet, though, so I don't know if it'll be of any use or not.



Not much as of now. But I just got ahold of some paperwork.

RUSTLE

Oh?



YOU'RE SHACK-ING UP!

Okay, later.

Yeah.

It's not like that!

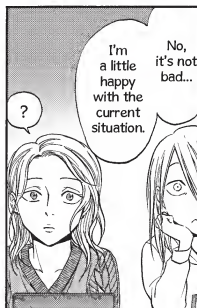
Just room-mates.



Y-Yeah...

I'll stop by the warehouse then head back to the bar.

The stuff you brought today, is that all of your things?



I'm a little happy with the current situation.

No, it's not bad...

?



are you sure it's okay to let us use your warehouse for free?

A-Anyway, Sakaki...

I feel like it's bad for your business if we don't move our base of operations elsewhere.





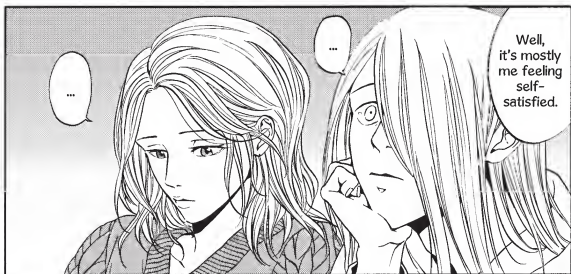
I probably just wanted a role to play.

A place where I belong... I guess.

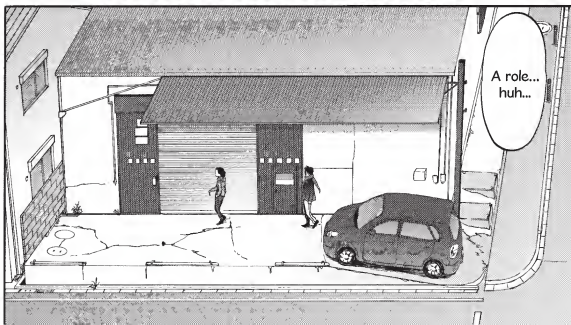


But I'm not a detective, so...

When I see all of you investigating, I find myself wanting to join you.



Well, it's mostly me feeling self-satisfied.



A role... huh...





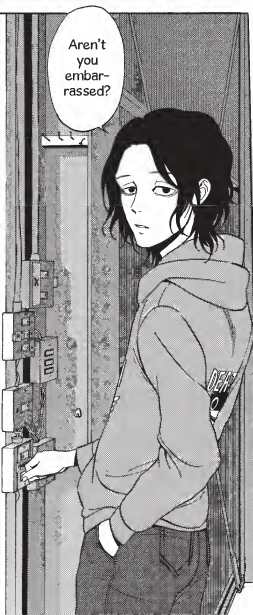
Just what are you up to?

And you...?



What do you mean, "what"?

What are you up to?



Aren't you embarrassed?

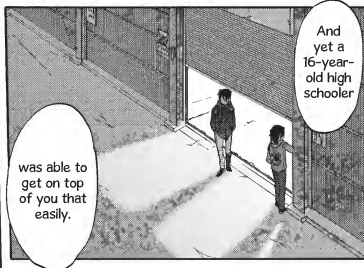


Then you're not a rookie.

It's my third year ...



How many years've you been doing this?



was able to get on top of you that easily.

And yet a 16-year-old high schooler















Ever since the coffee shop.

Because I was too timid?!



...  
Angry?



So you can tell.

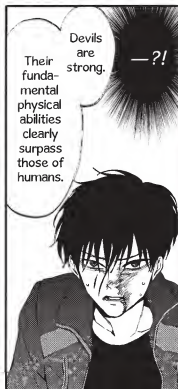
That I'm angry...

...  
I... see.



You don't hit where you could. It's almost like you have no interest in fighting back.

You're letting your talents go to waste...

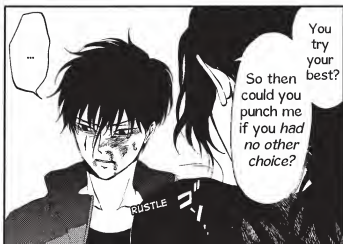


Devils are strong. Their fundamental physical abilities clearly surpass those of humans.

—?!



I should've expected that.





you won't develop an addiction to blood.

What are you thinking ...?

Stop it.



You can relax.

If you see blood and only transform...



I will definitely stop you.

Stop. Why are you going this far ?!



It's just you and me now. She's not here.

In the worst case, if you do run wild,



Officer Anzai...

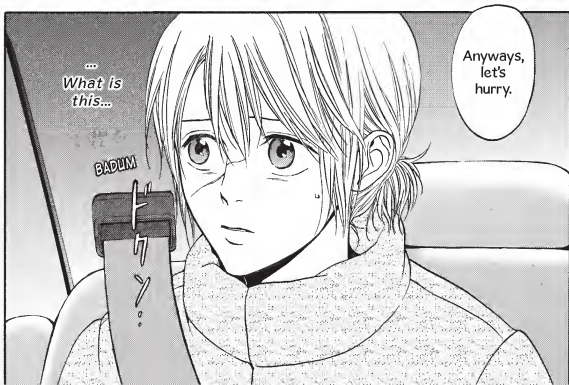


You  
can't beat  
anyone



the way  
you are  
now.







Anzai.

*I have  
a bad  
feeling...*

It's all  
right.

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*Fight  
me for  
real.*

Line 29

Ego Defense

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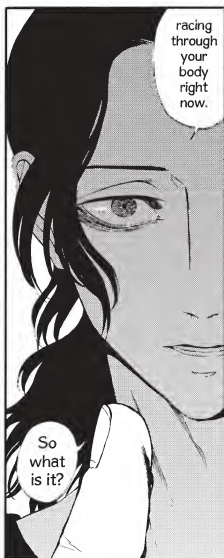






Don't  
fuck  
around  
...

...



racing  
through  
your  
body  
right  
now.

So  
what  
is it?

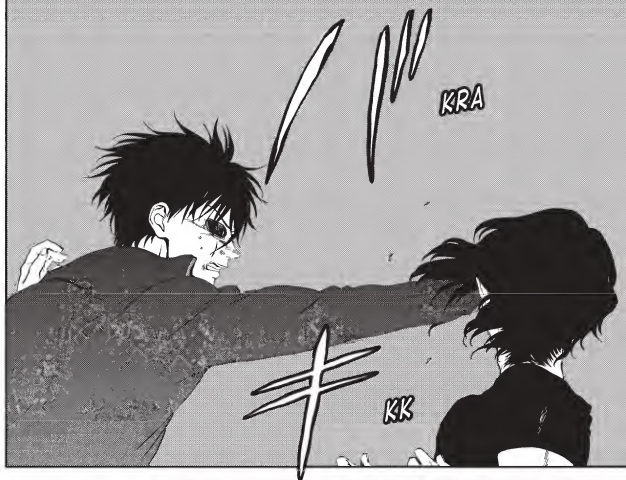


You,  
either.  
Keep  
your  
cool.

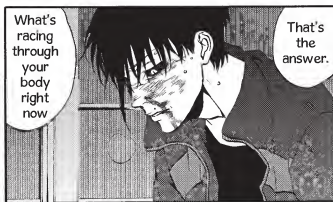
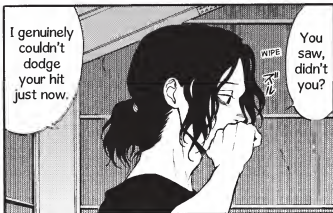
What  
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with  
blood-lust  
shouldn't  
just be  
sexual  
desire



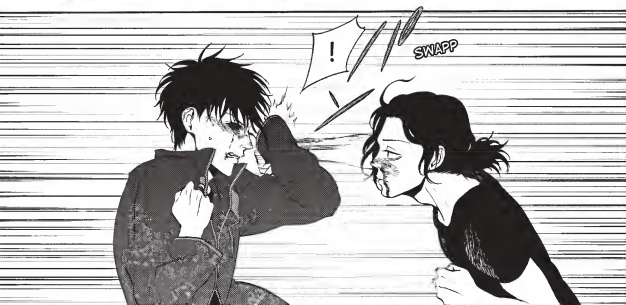


















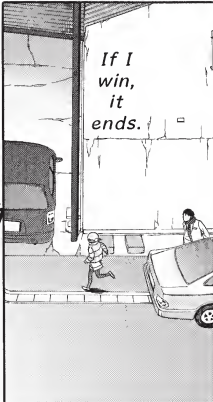
If you  
win, it  
ends.

How  
about  
it?

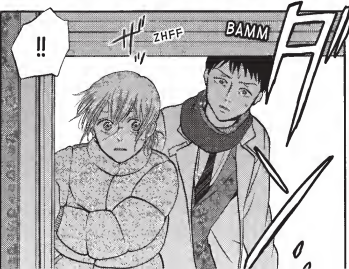


Hurry  
up and  
win—

Taira.



If I  
win,  
it  
ends.



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ZHFF

BAMM

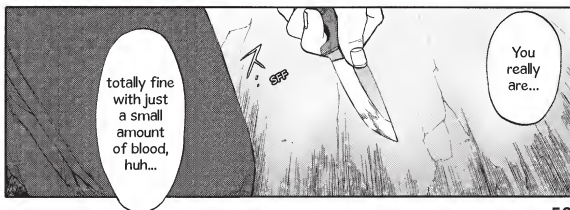


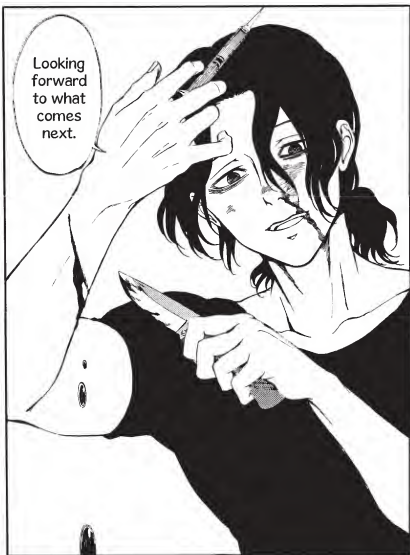










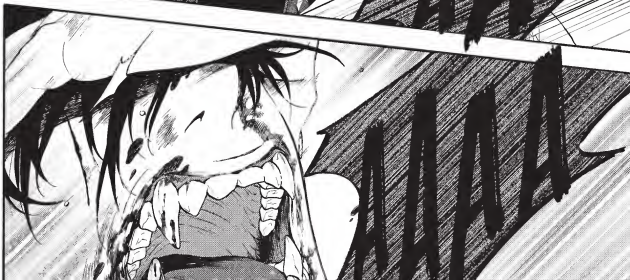


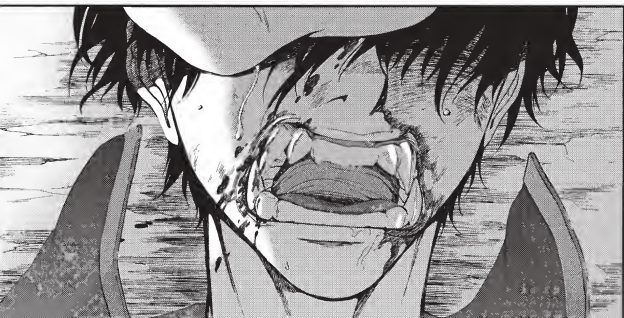
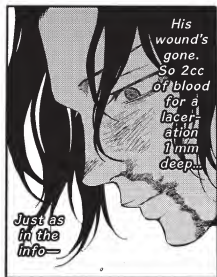
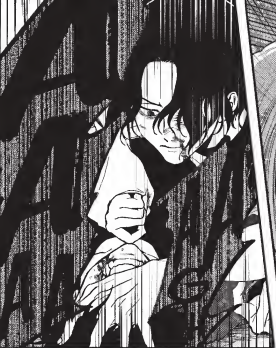




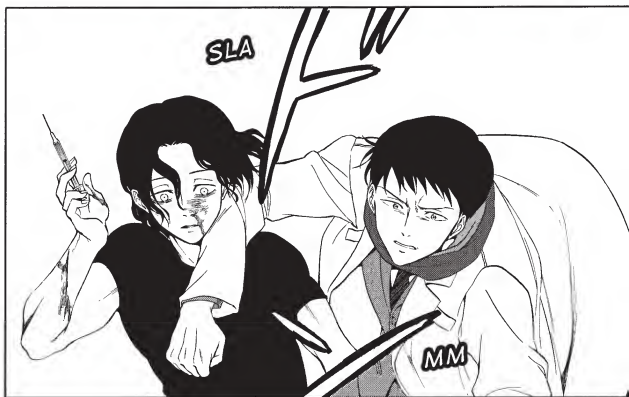
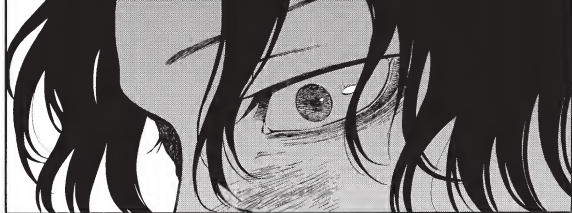
I'll  
catch  
you.

Jump.

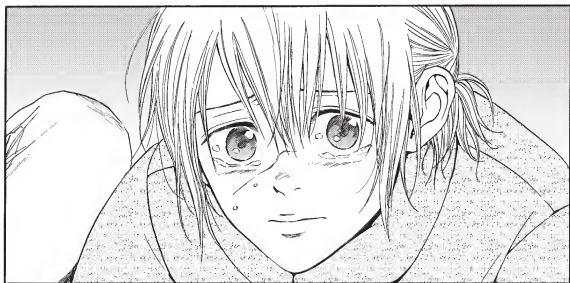




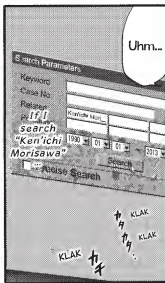
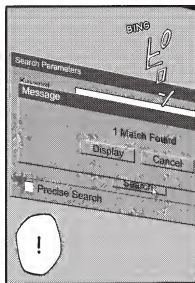
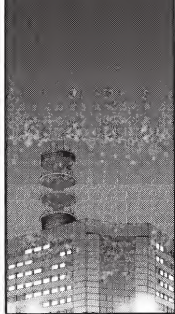


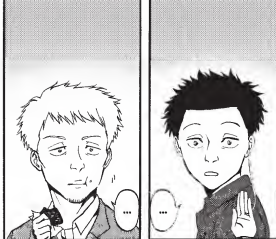














Basically,  
police  
scandals.

Cases  
designated  
"I" are  
"Inside."

While  
patrolling his  
assigned area,  
he stopped by  
the city hall  
and met  
Sayuri Tenjo.

Public Safety  
Nanki Sagoni

I-DESIGNATED

with regard to the suspect below. I am  
reporting the following the I-Designated



Ken'ichi  
Morisawa  
(32-at

00155

the time)  
Morisawa Public Safety  
Division-5,  
Section 2,  
AR Squad  
His rank was  
lieutenant.

Gen

Type

day (age:32)

Safety Division 5 AR Squad

seai-cho 2-1 Astor 202, Hachioji City

Pho

Cell

Mat

And then  
Morisawa  
gradually  
began  
staying  
over more  
frequently  
at  
Sayuri's  
house.

The two  
dated for  
about a  
year.

Her  
husband  
had passed  
away, and  
she lived  
alone  
with her  
daughter,  
Nanako.



Sayuri  
Tenjo  
(33 at  
the time)  
worked  
in the  
Hachioji  
city hall.

day (age:33)

Public Affairs, Division 2

1-3-1 Minehon-machi, Hachioji City, Tokyo



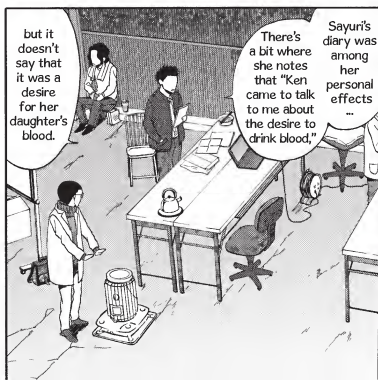
*He spent  
more time  
playing  
with her  
daughter,  
Nanako.*



*Seeing this,  
Sayuri shot  
Morisawa  
with a gun.*

*That's  
how the  
"incident"  
began.*

*And then  
one night,  
Morisawa  
hugged  
Nanako.*



but it  
doesn't  
say that  
it was a  
desire  
for her  
daughter's  
blood.

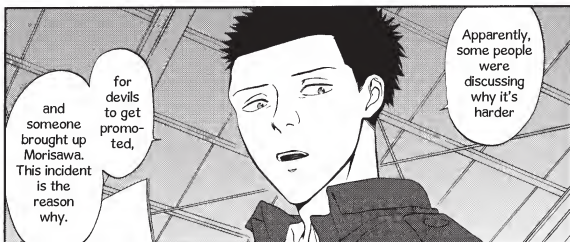
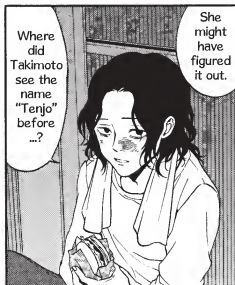
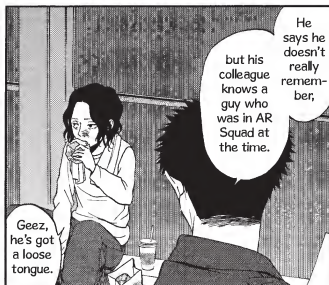
There's  
a bit where  
she notes  
that "Ken  
came to talk  
to me about  
the desire to  
drink blood,"

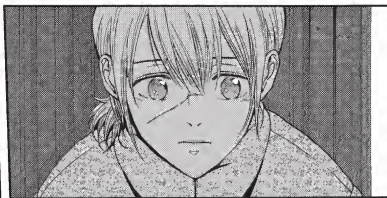
Sayuri's  
diary was  
among  
her  
personal  
effects ...

It's  
likely.

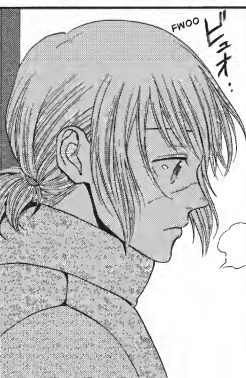
She  
shot  
him...  
because  
he had  
trans-  
formed?



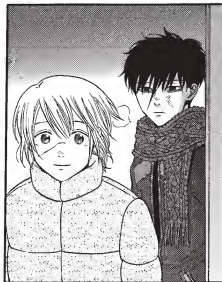












*Every  
time I  
transform  
and lose  
myself...  
Yes...*

*I feel like I  
see similar  
images.*

*It probably  
isn't the  
first time  
I've seen  
that man.*



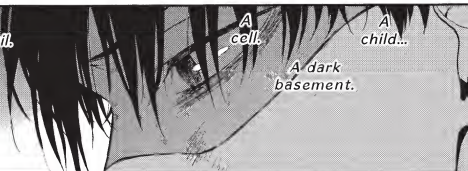
*A young  
Kikuhara.*

*A  
devil.*

*A  
cell.*

*A  
child...*

*A dark  
basement.*



*did  
something  
happen  
between  
him and  
me?*

*When I  
was a  
kid...*





Nanako Tenjo  
killed a devil  
that she was  
close to.

Whether she  
intended  
to kill him  
or not,

Hand-drawn illustration of a hand holding a small card. The card features a portrait of a man and a list of names. The card is tilted and has a torn edge. The hand is simple, with fingers spread. The background is white with some faint, illegible text from the page it was scanned from.

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For a few years, starting in 2004, he held study groups at his house.

Her adoptive parent, Kousuke Chizu, was formerly a professor at East Bay University.



And then  
after a  
certain  
point, she  
suddenly  
started  
insisting  
that she  
hated  
devils.

*and  
closed  
off her  
heart.*

*And then  
she was  
wounded  
even  
more  
deeply.*



And then  
she was  
wounded  
even  
more  
deeply.

*She would have had opportunities to interact with some of them.*

*More  
and more  
people  
passed  
through  
the Chizu  
household.*



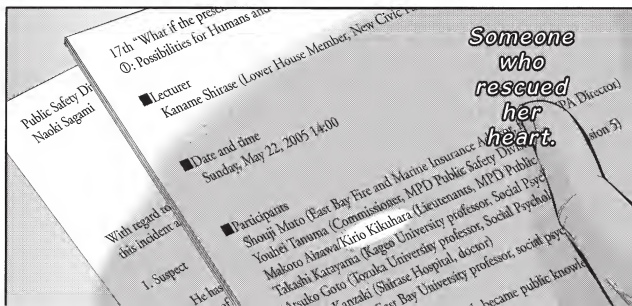


There must  
have been  
someone who  
rationalized  
the fact that  
she had killed  
a devil.



Someone  
who gave  
her the idea  
that devils  
should be  
hated.

Someone  
who said  
that she  
had been  
right to kill  
a devil.









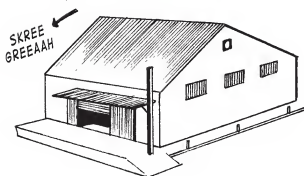
Do  
you like  
Kikuhara?





The warehouse F Squad is using  
is modeled after a rental warehouse  
in a certain part of the city.

The shutters make a very zestful noise  
when they go up. It's a very  
good warehouse.

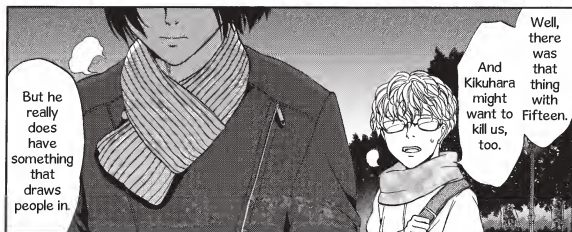




Line 30  
Zero Seven









is a  
monster.



You go  
ahead.  
I'm  
going to  
walk for  
a bit.



A-Are  
you  
going  
back?

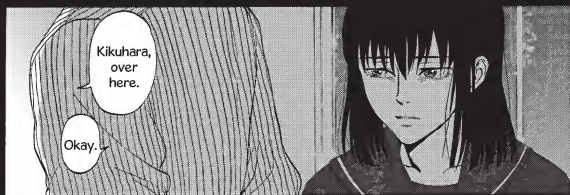
ZHFF



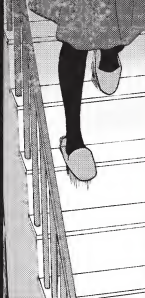
Are you  
Nanako?



I'm here for the group.



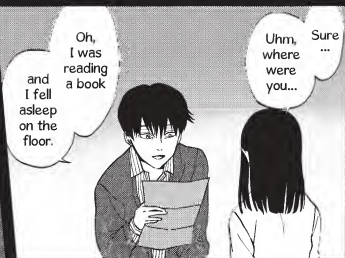








Wow...  
This is  
excel-  
lent.





Uhm...



Huh?

I'm really good at it. I could teach you.



He must be close with Father.

So he was using the study the whole night?

You're not good at math?



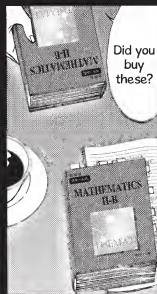
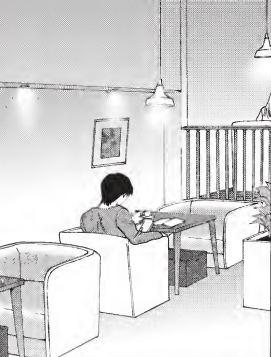
His name was Kirio Kikuhara, 34 years old.

I won't force you to, but...



He was attractive and seemed to be nice...

My father's former student, a graduate of the science department at East Bay University.





I  
wanted  
to have  
something  
else to  
think  
about.

I've been  
burnt out  
at work  
lately...



He's not overly  
friendly, he  
has no ulterior  
motives...

He seems  
cordial, but  
at the same  
time he's  
aloof.



He's not  
doing  
this as a  
favor.

Coffee  
...



...Oh.

Want  
some-  
thing to  
drink?



What  
do you  
do for  
work...?

Oh...  
Security-  
related  
stuff,  
I guess.

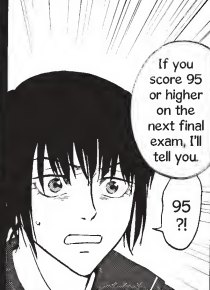
Oh, a  
security  
guard...

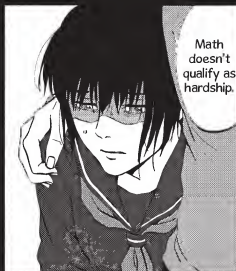
This  
man is  
safe.

Good.  
I can  
relax.









Math  
doesn't  
qualify as  
hardship.



...  
Relax.



The  
language  
arts are an  
object hunt  
with hints  
hidden in  
things.

Memori-  
zation is  
increasing  
the number of  
things in  
a room.

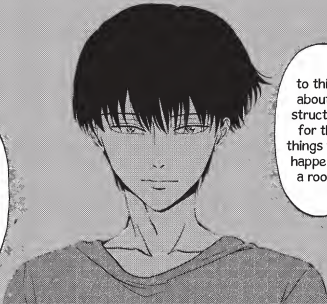
Maybe  
it's the  
feeling of  
diving into  
some-  
thing  
deep.

What do  
you like  
about  
math...?



And  
math?





It feels like you're looking at the secrets of the world...

The use of symbols to think about a structure for the things that happen in a room.



Even though you're inside your own thoughts,



The construction of things.

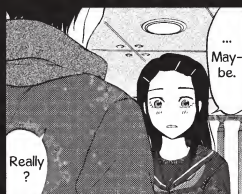
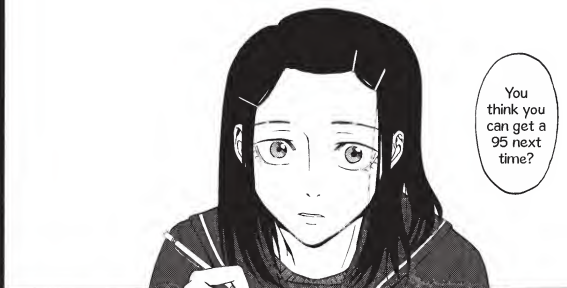
Not the surface, but more essential.



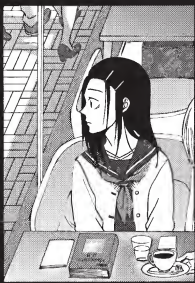
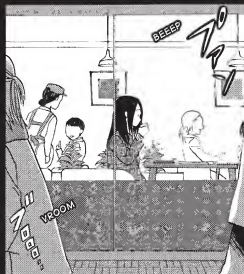
That's the deep part...



it feels like you're in a really large space.









Heading south  
on Yuda  
Road.

300

2mm

Todo,  
A  
Squad  
Suspect  
spotted.



He's  
already  
trans-  
forming!

This  
is Uno.  
I see  
him!



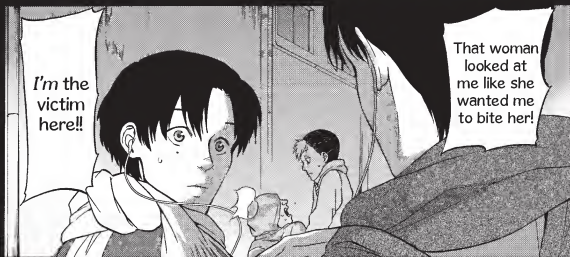
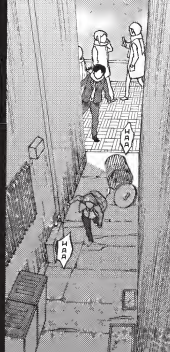
He's  
coming  
up on  
Cafe de  
Bateau.

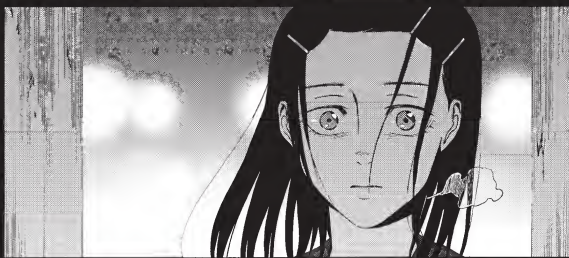
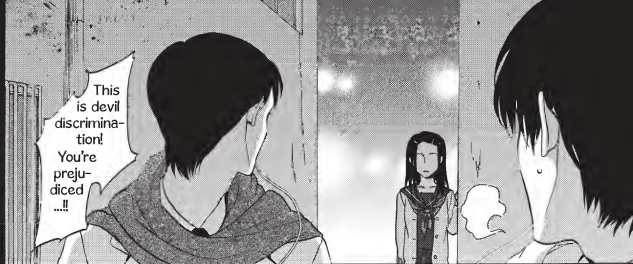
before any  
passers-  
by notice.  
Lead him  
onto a side  
street.

Close  
in on  
him  
from  
both  
sides

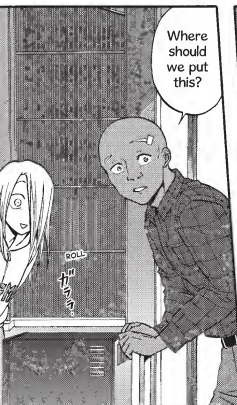
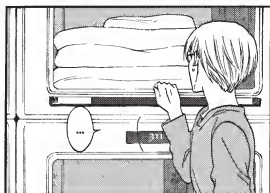


Roger,  
Kikuhara  
!

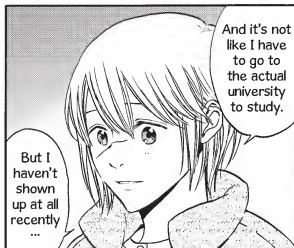


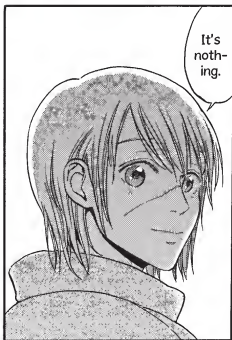
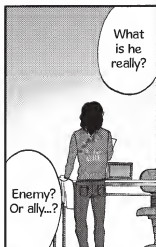




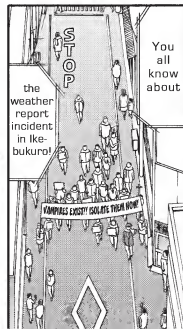


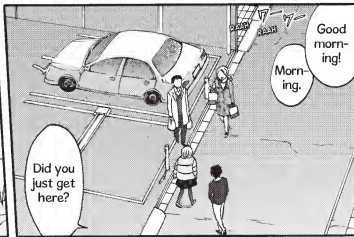
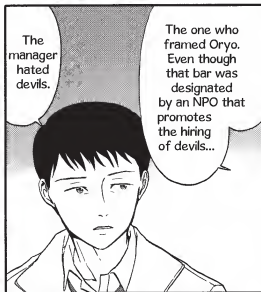


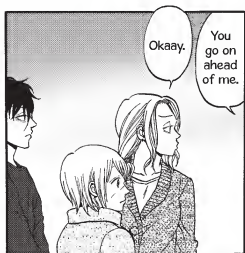
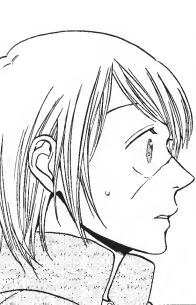






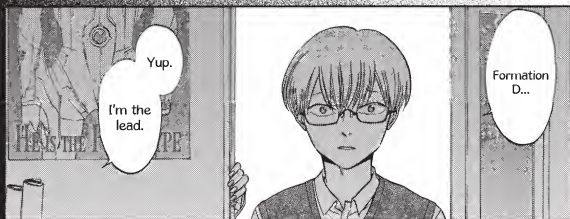




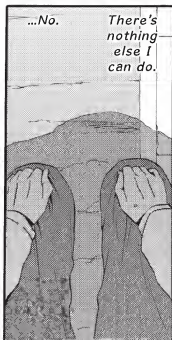


to kill his comrades?

He wanted it badly enough









in an  
area with  
so many  
surveillance  
cameras?

What  
are you  
doing  
wandering  
around



And  
she's...  
really,  
really  
late,  
so...!

Sh-She  
didn't  
come  
back  
last  
night!

I can't  
keep up.

...

We  
sorta...  
had a...  
fight...

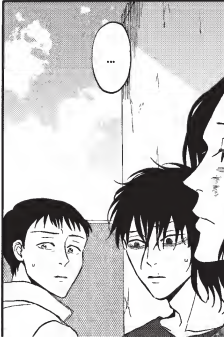


What?  
You're  
not  
together  
?

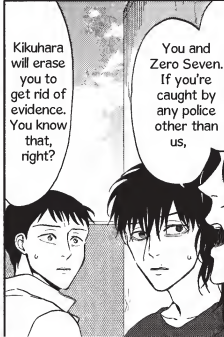
L-  
Looking  
for Zero  
Seven...

Oh...  
Uhm.

...



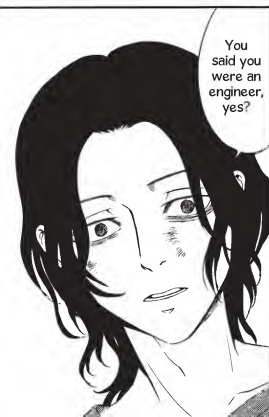
Kikuhara  
will erase  
you to  
get rid of  
evidence.  
You know  
that,  
right?



You and  
Zero Seven.  
If you're  
caught by  
any police  
other than  
us,

...





You said you were an engineer, yes?



We'll look for Zero Seven with you.

I have an idea.



Huh?!

Oh!

Uhm?!

But Kikuhara is on your side!!



and get  
the CCC  
member  
list?

Could you  
hack the  
hideout's  
computer



Nana-  
ko!

The  
sushi's  
here.  
Are you  
going  
to have  
some?



クズクズ



KREE

キン

KREE

キン



Come  
down  
if you  
want.

The study  
group's  
over for  
dinner  
today.





*Kikuhara's  
a police  
officer,  
too...*

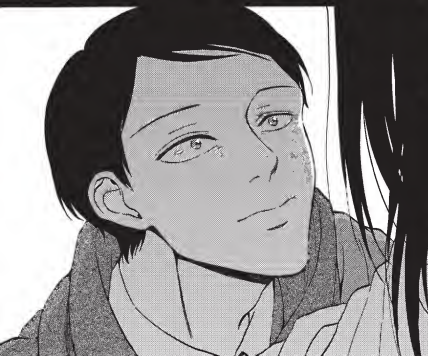


*He was a  
detective  
who caught  
devil  
criminals.*

*Just  
like  
him.*









I'm  
a police  
officer who  
focuses on  
investigating  
devil  
crimes.  
Just  
like  
Lieutenant  
Morisawa  
...

My real  
job is with  
the MPD,  
Public  
Safety...



Look  
me in  
the  
eyes.



No—!!  
Look  
at me.

I  
don't  
want  
to  
hear  
this!!  
No  
!!



That's  
exactly  
it.

There  
are still  
devil  
detectives  
now, but  
fewer are  
hired  
every  
year.

But he  
was a  
detection.

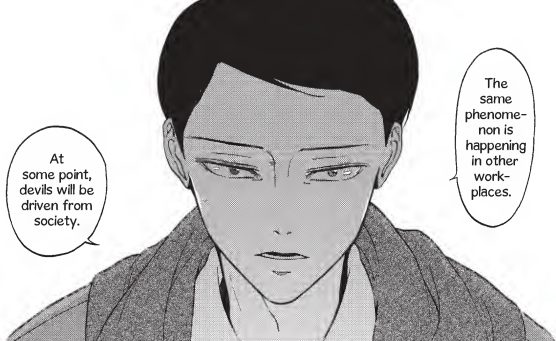
Are  
they  
that  
danger-  
ous...?



When  
a devil  
drinks  
blood,  
99% of  
the time  
they lose  
them-  
selves.

The  
fact that  
Morisawa  
was a  
devil was  
unfortu-  
nate.





At  
some point,  
devils will be  
driven from  
society.

The  
same  
phenome-  
non is  
happening  
in other  
work-  
places.



another  
devil like  
Morisawa  
will show  
up.

Unless  
we  
isolate  
or exter-  
minate  
them,



We still  
don't  
know.  
They  
might  
just be  
turned  
loose.

Driven  
to where  
...?



Nana-  
ko.

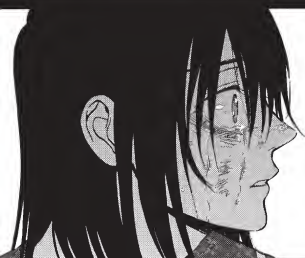
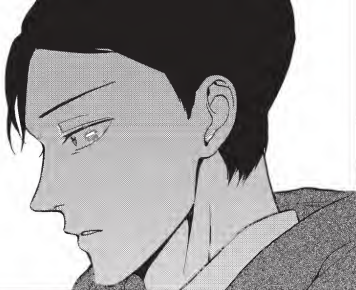
Come  
here.



Ugk!

...





*I  
understood.*

If you can  
understand  
that,

then  
come be  
by my  
side.

***But I didn't  
actually  
understand.***

No...  
I tried to  
understand.

***I thought  
I understood.***

*I  
forgot my  
terror of  
Morisawa.*

*Because  
by  
falling for  
Kikuhara,*

*nor was it  
because he  
was a devil...*

The reason  
I shot  
Morisawa  
then

wasn't  
because he  
was raping  
my mother.

*I liked  
Morisawa,*

*but Morisawa  
wanted me  
as a woman.*



*I didn't  
want to  
hear that  
anymore.*

Nana-  
ko...

*It was just  
because...*



*If  
you can  
under-  
stand  
that,  
then  
come be  
by my  
side.*



*over the  
years, I  
thought  
Kikuhara's  
hits were  
getting  
stronger  
...*

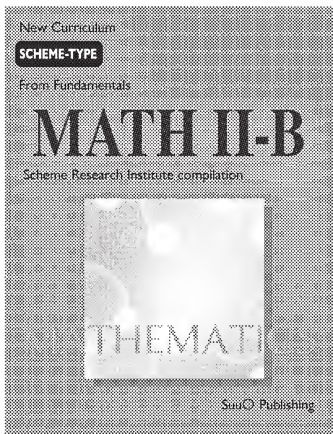
*So that's  
why...*

*If it was  
so obvious  
that Nine  
noticed,  
then  
Kikuhara  
must've  
known a  
long time  
ago.*

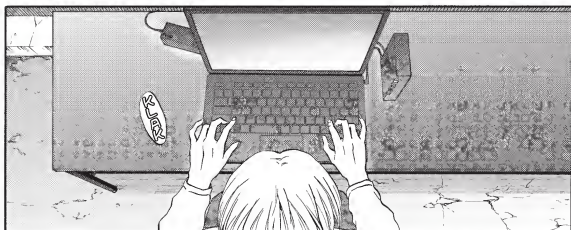
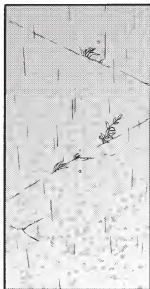




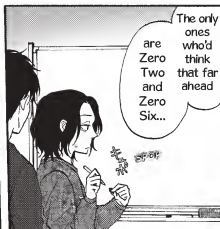
Math book reference (blue)











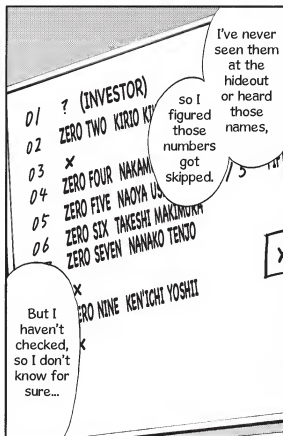


Very  
nice...  
Thank  
you.

...

|    |                           |    |                  |
|----|---------------------------|----|------------------|
| 01 | ? (INVESTOR)              | 11 | ELEVEN SUMIMORI  |
| 02 | ZERO TWO KIRIO KIKUHARA   | 12 | QUEEN KANZAKI    |
| 03 | x                         | 13 | x                |
| 04 | ZERO FOUR NAKAMURA        | 14 | x                |
| 05 | ZERO FIVE NAOYA USHIO     | 15 | FIFTEEN MURAKAMI |
| 06 | ZERO SIX TAKESHI MAKIMURA |    |                  |
| 07 | ZERO SEVEN NANAKO TENJO   |    |                  |
| 08 | x                         |    |                  |
| 09 | ZERO NINE KEN'ICHI YOSHII |    |                  |
| 10 | x                         |    |                  |

x ... PROBABLY NO ONE



I've never  
seen them  
at the  
hideout  
or heard  
those  
names,

so I  
figured  
those  
numbers  
got  
skipped.

But I  
haven't  
checked,  
so I don't  
know for  
sure...



Please  
don't ask  
him for  
every-  
thing all  
at once  
...

Uh!  
Uhm!

It'd be  
helpful if  
you wrote  
all the  
first names  
as well.



What's  
"probably  
no one"  
mean?

Sorry...

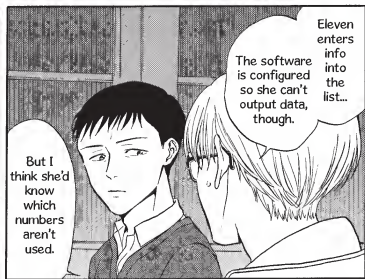


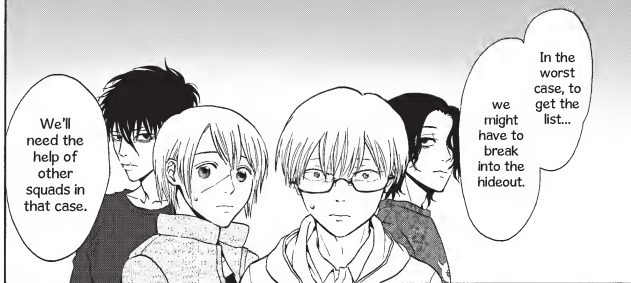
A collaborator, maybe?

Sumimori from the Sumimori conglomerate?

This Sumimori ...

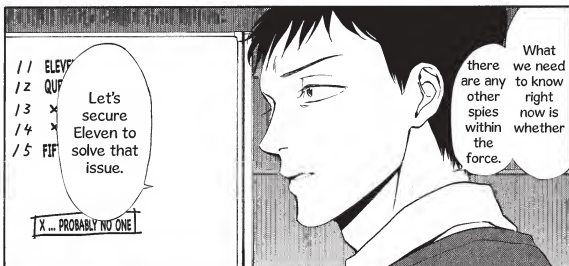
// ELEVEN SUMIMORI  
/2 QUEEN KANZAKI  
12 X





We'll need the help of other squads in that case.

In the worst case, to get the list... we might have to break into the hideout.

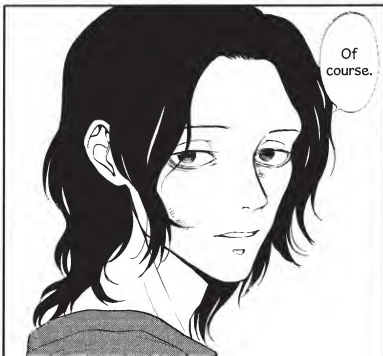


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/3 X  
/4 X  
/5 FIF

Let's secure Eleven to solve that issue.

X ... PROBABLY NO ONE

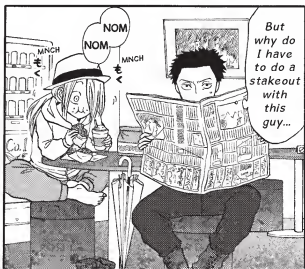
What we need to know right now is whether there are any other spies within the force.

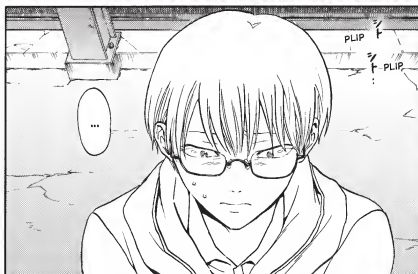
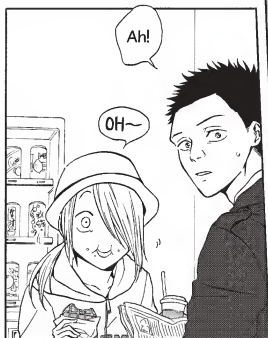


Of course.



Is that okay, Ishimaru?







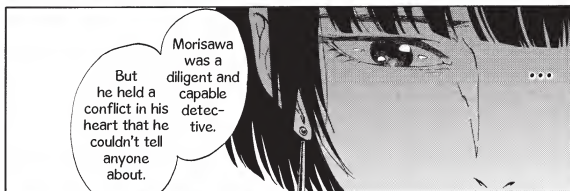




He  
hadn't.



Had  
Morisawa  
ever drank  
blood prior  
to that  
point?



But  
he held a  
conflict in his  
heart that he  
couldn't tell  
anyone  
about.

Morisawa  
was a  
diligent and  
capable  
detection-  
ist.



That  
sort of  
thinking  
is off-  
track.

it'd be  
nice if  
she could  
tolerate  
devils a  
little.

Maybe  
not  
Mori-  
sawa, but



That's  
all we  
know.



it was easier to think, "I killed a member of the species called 'devil.'"

Maybe instead of thinking, "I killed the individual Mori-sawa"



It's weird to think in terms of tolerating or not tolerating ...

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Oh... Okay ...

we won't make you or Anzai pair up with Zero Seven.



At any rate ...



That's a dangerous thought.



No...

It's just as I remembered it.

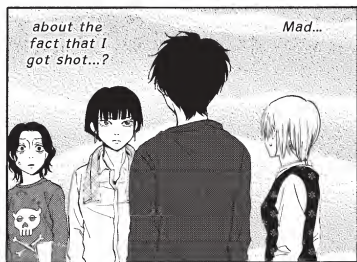
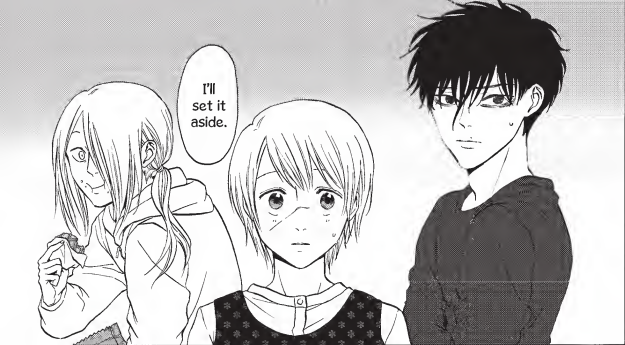


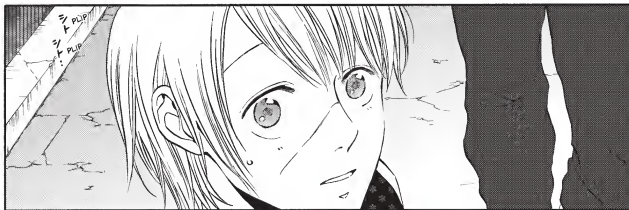
Did you find anything new?

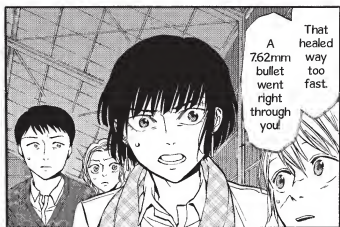
I'm done reading ...

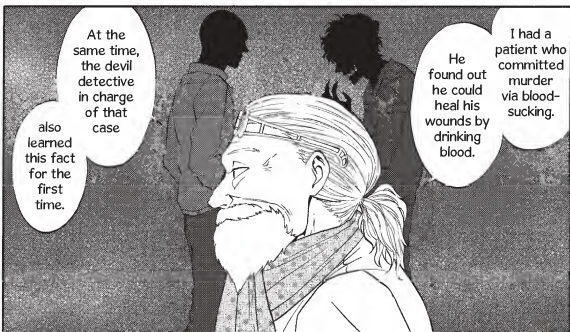
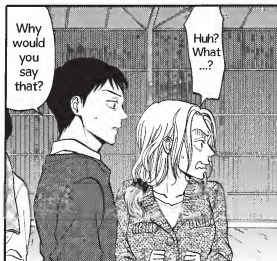




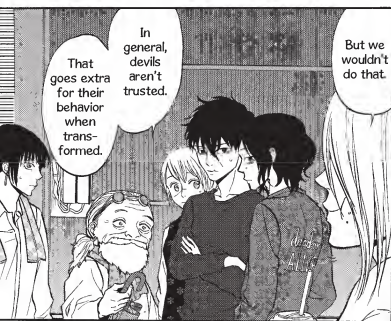
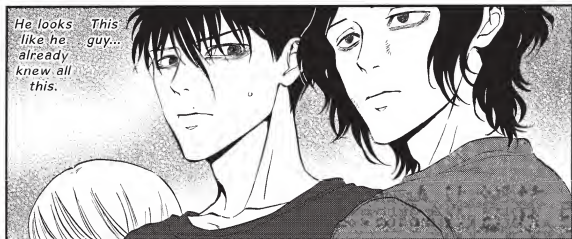
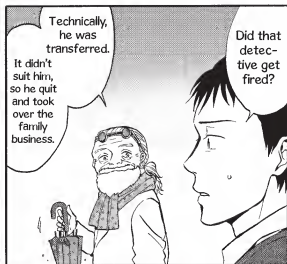
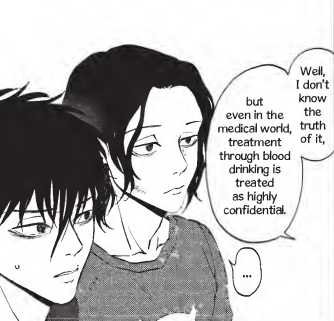


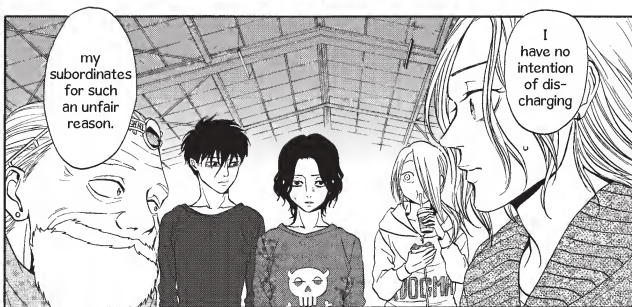
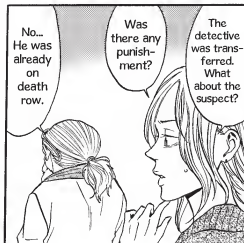
















But  
there's  
always

this  
man  
beside  
me.

I'll be  
under-  
ground or  
climbing  
a tree or  
something.

From  
when I  
was a  
kid...



Kirio

Kiku-  
hara.



A  
man  
you  
know?



None.

I only  
see the  
memories  
...

when I  
transform  
and lose  
conscious-  
ness.

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You  
don't have  
any clear  
memory of  
meet-  
ing him?

I  
just  
...  
feel  
like I said  
a name  
from a  
long time  
ago.



What  
is it?

A police  
inspector  
in Public  
Safety  
Division  
5.  
...





The transformation reaction is governed by the brain.



Let me tell you something.

RUSTLE

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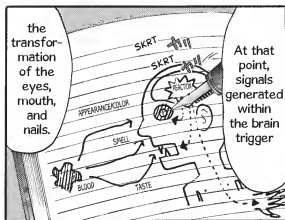
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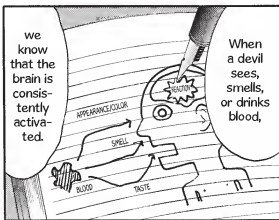
I've never heard of any causal relationship between memory and transformation,

but I can't rule it out.



the transformation of the eyes, mouth, and nails.

At that point, signals generated within the brain trigger



we know that the brain is consistently activated.

When a devil sees, smells, or drinks blood,



you don't remember when you're not transformed?

But...



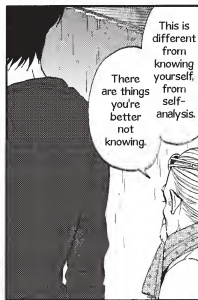
This affects the region of the brain that controls memory...

Signal transmission in the brain is vigorous during transformation.



...

so perhaps it's calling up old memories.



*In that  
sense, I  
should be  
getting any  
information  
I can on—  
him.*

*Plus—  
Kikuhara  
is the  
leader of  
the CCC.*

*Why  
don't I  
remember?  
It bothers  
me.*

*Why  
did I  
meet  
him  
in the  
past?*

*...No.*

*It's  
not  
just  
that.*

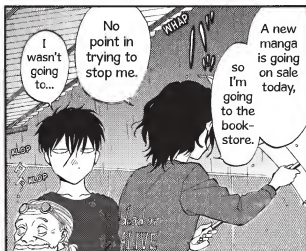
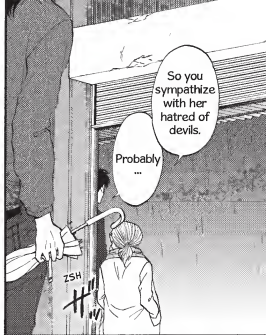
*I'll  
understand  
something  
important...*

*I feel  
like if I  
remember,*











The "ma" from "silk" or "hemp," the "yu" from "evening."

Sumi-mori... What?

Mayu. Mayu Sumi-mori...

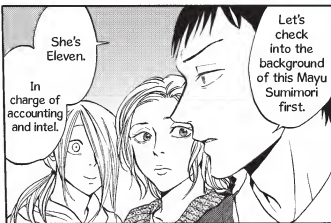
Winter vegetable tempura ...



And...

She dyes it a slightly blue shade.

Her hair is short, about to the nape of her neck.



She's Eleven.

In charge of accounting and intel.

Let's check into the background of this Mayu Sumimori first.

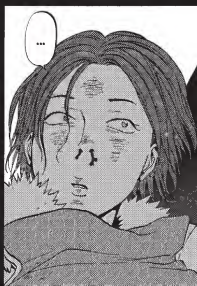
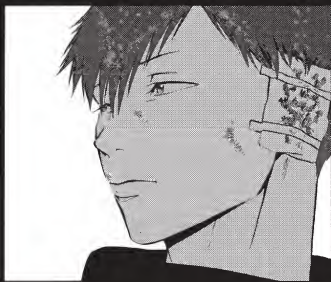


she's infatuated with Kikuhara.



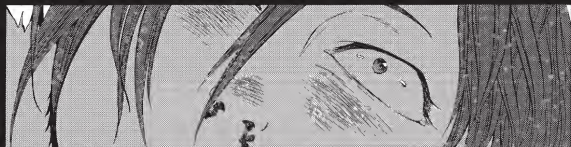








Pay-back.



...  
I'll look at her there.

Carry her to her room.

We need a blanket then.

Her body's chilled.

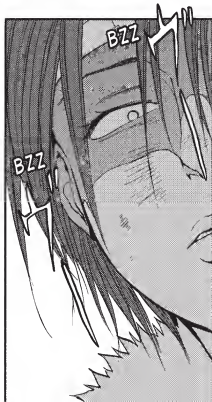
Seems she was laid out for a while.

Oh my, she's a princess.

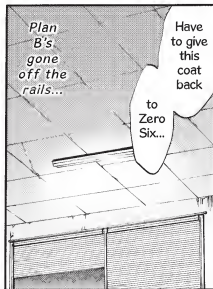
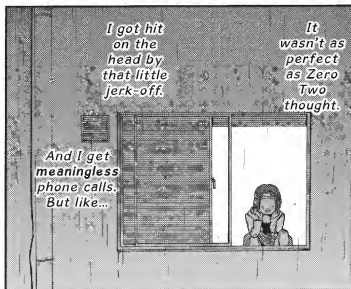
Takeshi, I brought Queen—

POPPPP











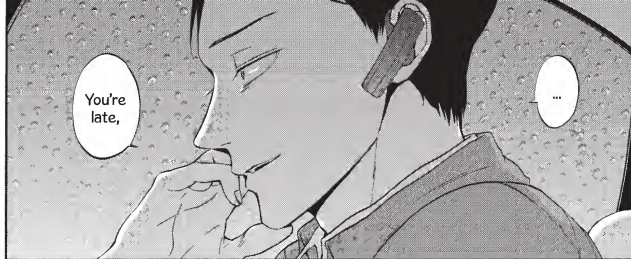
no-  
where  
to go  
...



I  
have...











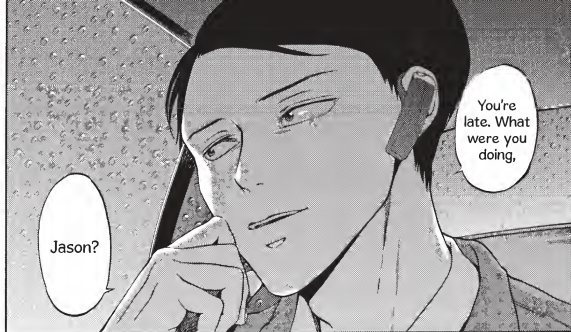
**三好工業**  
**メティカルプロダクツ**

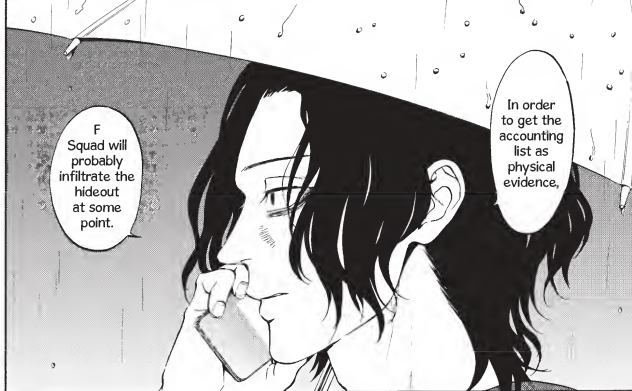
(営業本部) 東京都江東区都立5丁目2-16都洲アウレア12F  
03-3600-0000  
(総・開発部) 群馬県太田市堀之内1107  
0276-00-0000

Miyoshi Industries Medical Products, Inc.

The company, introduced in Chapter 28, is where the grandfather of the boy Miyoshi works

They produce handcuffs and nail protectors for devils. Their head office is in Gunma.





F  
Squad will  
probably  
infiltrate the  
hideout at  
some point.

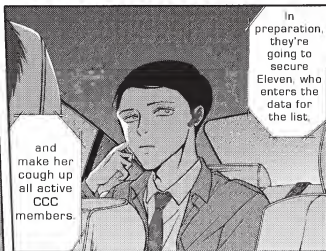
In order  
to get the  
accounting  
list as  
physical  
evidence,



Keep her  
safe until  
then—

If F  
Squad catches  
her, I'll be  
made.

Not to  
worry.



In  
preparation,  
they're  
going to  
secure  
Eleven, who  
enters the  
data for the  
list.

and  
make her  
cough up  
all active  
CCC  
members.



I'll have  
Zero Six  
erase  
Eleven.

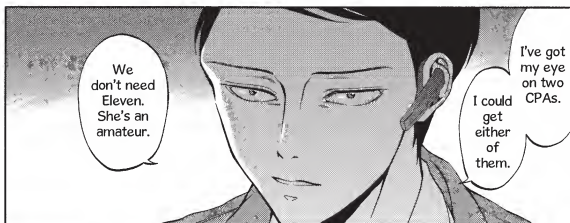
It's time  
for some  
new blood  
anyway.





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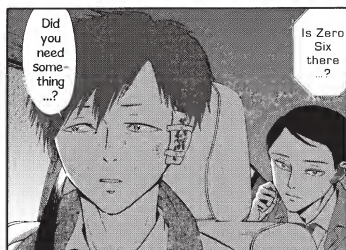
Who Are You





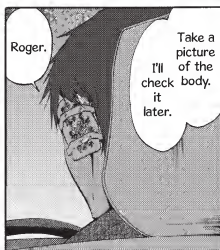
Once that's done, I leave the rest to you.

Zero Six,  
tell Eleven to transfer the data outside today.



Did you need something...?

Is Zero Six there...?



Roger.

Take a picture of the body. I'll check it later.



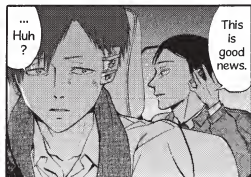
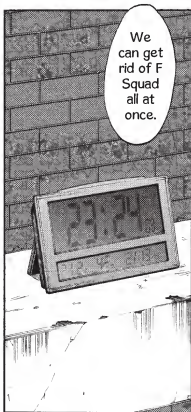
But I haven't been able to sleep as much.

I'm good.

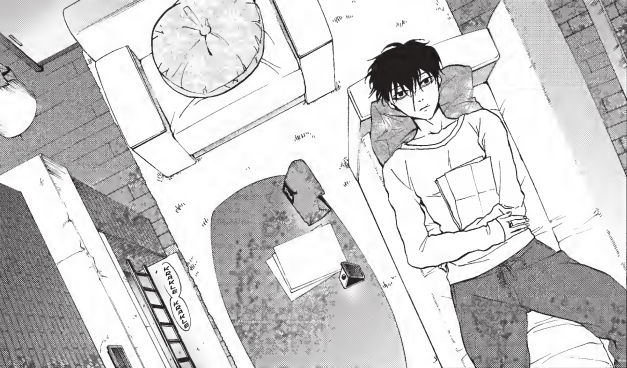


How are you?

No...







But I  
was  
a kid  
at the  
time.

I'm grown  
up now.  
Maybe I could  
get over it  
if I could  
remember...



Just  
what  
happened  
to me?

A  
memory so  
unpleasant  
that I'd  
forget it...



I  
started  
hating  
devils  
...?

Kikuhara  
might be  
why



Ah!

You're  
still  
awake.

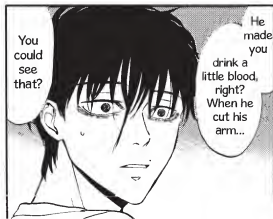
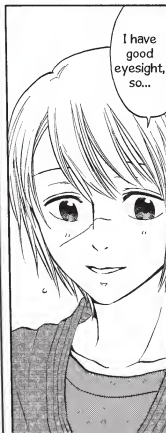
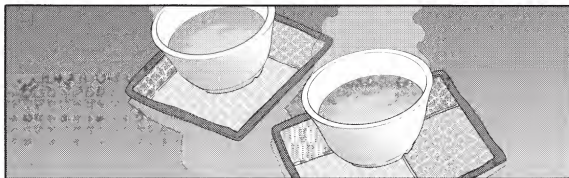


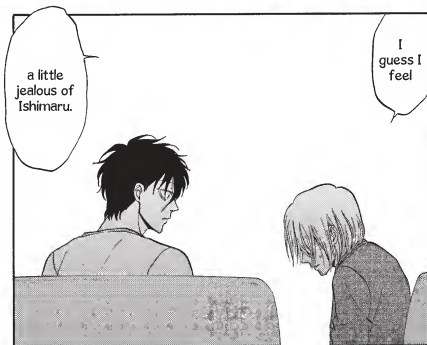
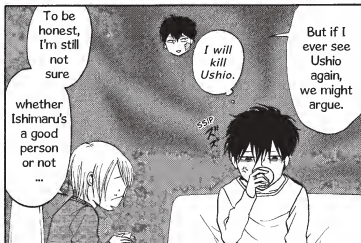
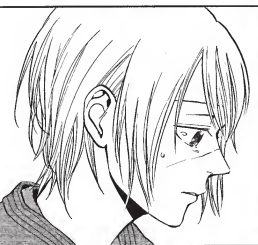
I'm not so  
grown up  
that I can  
call myself  
an "adult."

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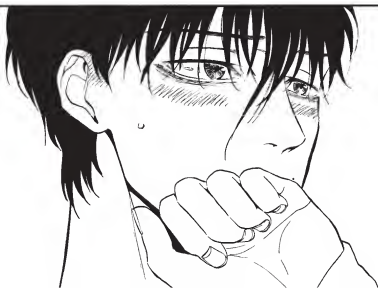
But,  
well,  
I feel  
like

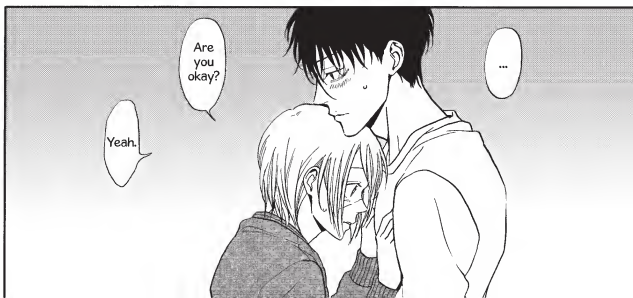


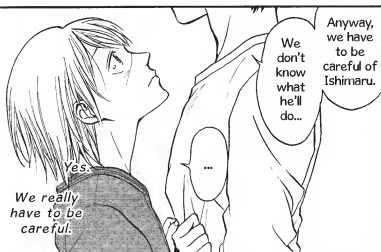
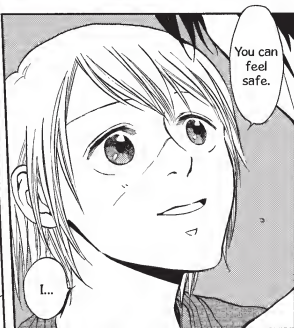
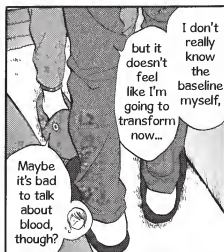


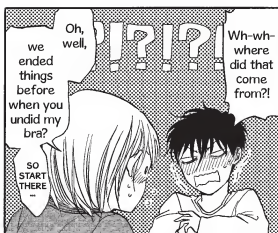




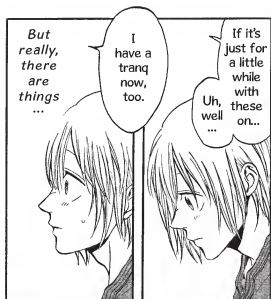




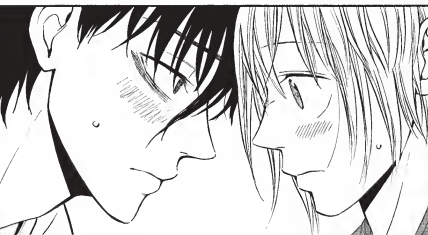
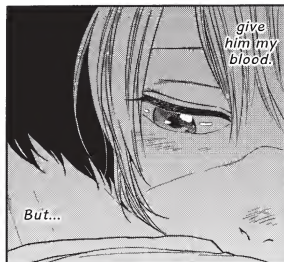


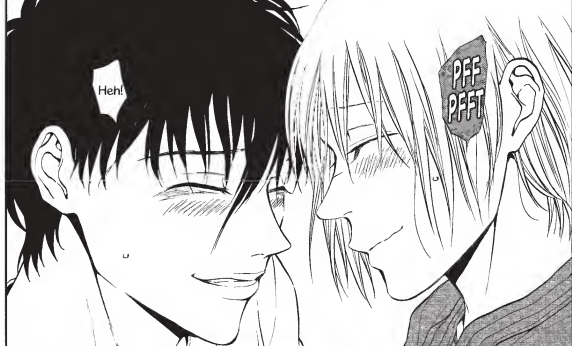




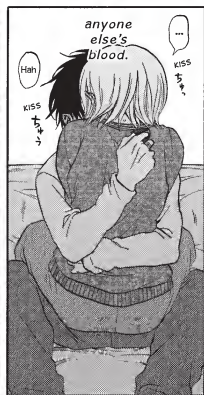
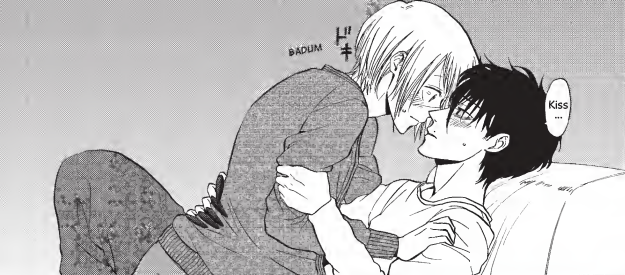


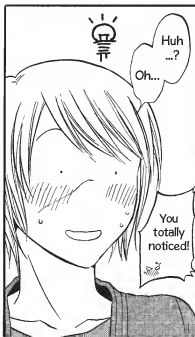








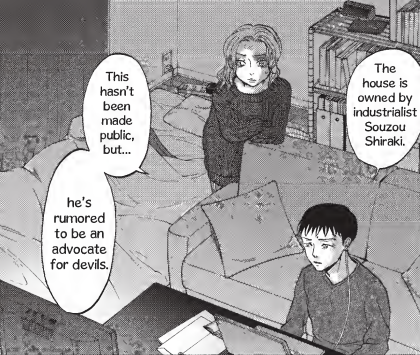












This hasn't been made public, but...

he's rumored to be an advocate for devils.

The house is owned by industrialist Souzou Shiraki.



This is Sawazaki.

Arson?

...Why now?



Does anyone want to come with me?

I'm going to go take a look at the scene.



We can't say anything at the moment.

They made an example of him?

There was that protest this afternoon ...

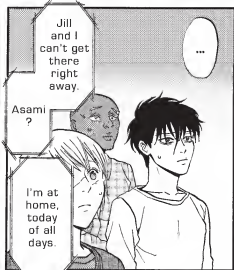


I'll go, too.

Kodaira... I'm pretty sure.

Where's Sawazaki's place?

Is that far?

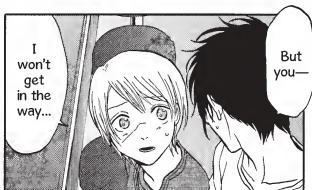
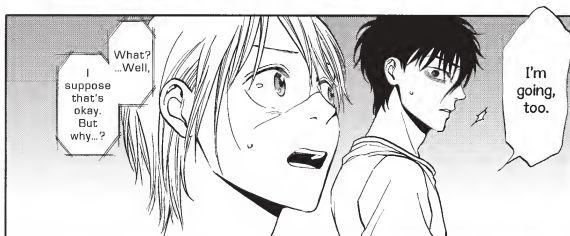
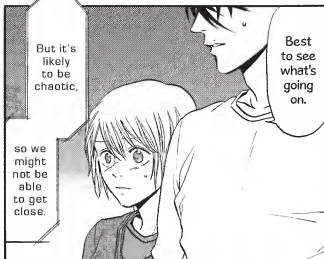


Jill and I can't get there right away.

Asami?

I'm at home, today of all days.

...





*Kikuhara...*

Uno  
and  
I will  
go.  
We just  
finished  
up here.

*Who are you?*







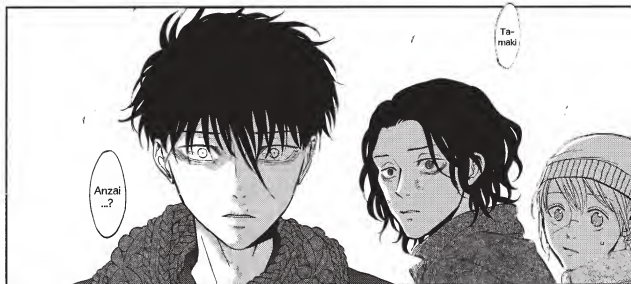
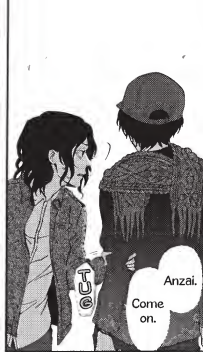
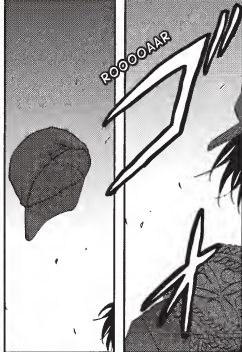
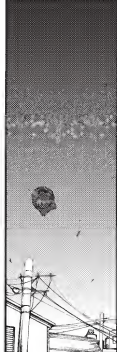




a devil  
serial  
killer."

"I'm  
looking for  
Tamaki  
Anzai,



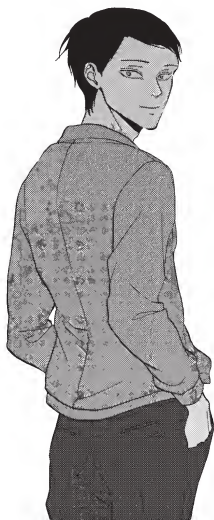


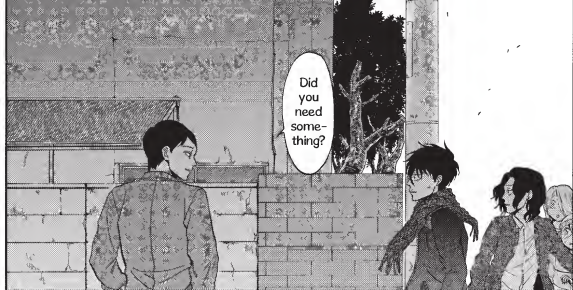




*Devil serial killer...*



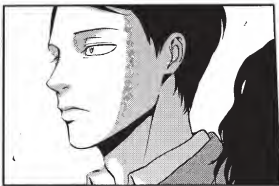








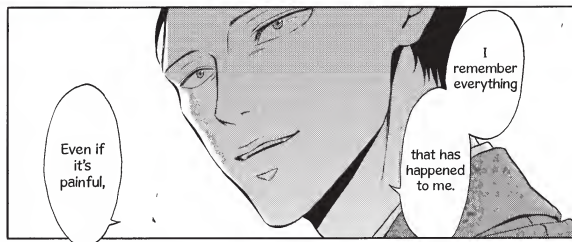


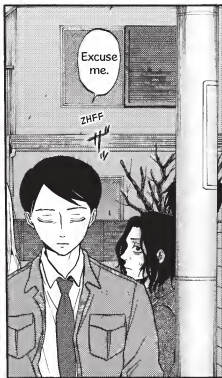
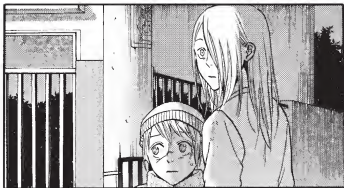


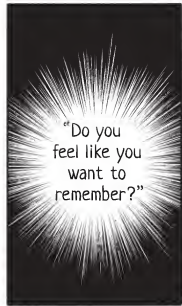
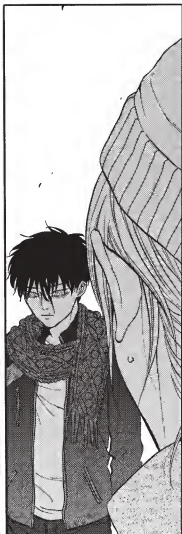
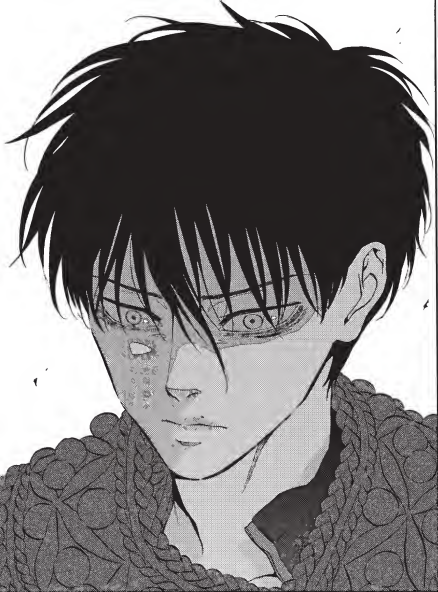


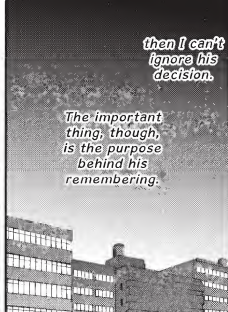












*then I can't  
ignore his  
decision.*

*The important  
thing, though,  
is the purpose  
behind his  
remembering.*

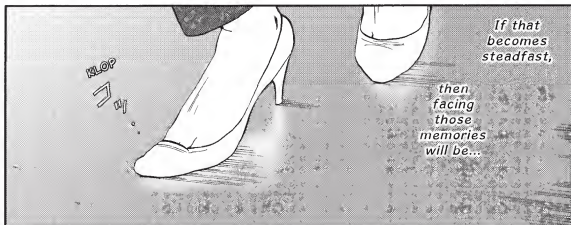


*But  
if that's  
what he  
himself  
wants...*



*it's  
necessary  
for a  
person to  
forget.*

*Some-  
times,  
in order  
to live,*



*If that  
becomes  
steadfast,*

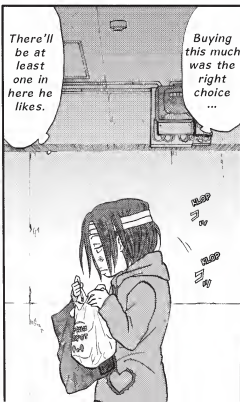
*then  
facing  
those  
memories  
will be...*



*It's not  
just for  
him—*

*I just  
wanna  
eat the  
leftover  
ones.*

*Well,  
what-  
ever ...*



*There'll  
be at  
least  
one in  
here he  
likes.*

*Buying  
this much  
was the  
right  
choice ...*



*RUSTLE*







"Once you have Eleven transfer the data,

get Zero Six to erase her."

Oh, well, I know Queen was the one who looked at my injuries.

But, like, you were concerned for me so...

ボソボソ  
MUMBLE  
MUMBLE



"Take a picture of the body."

I'll put on some tea.

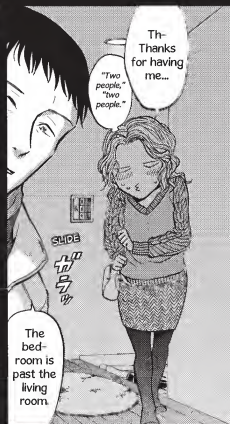
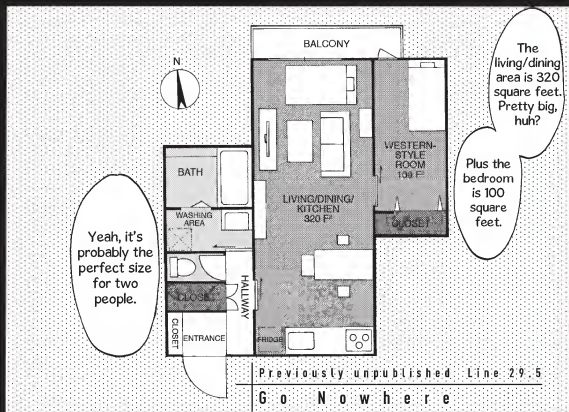


So that's all!!

That's what I came for, so I'll be on my—

Come in.

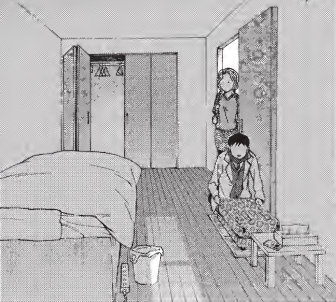






Use it  
however  
you'd  
like.

But I  
basically  
never  
come in  
here.



It's  
this  
room.

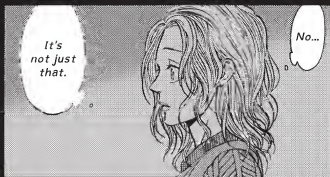


Right  
?!

Door  
doesn't  
lock,  
though.

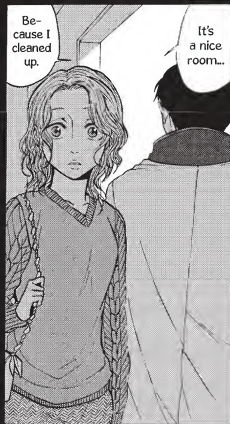
It's  
not just  
that.

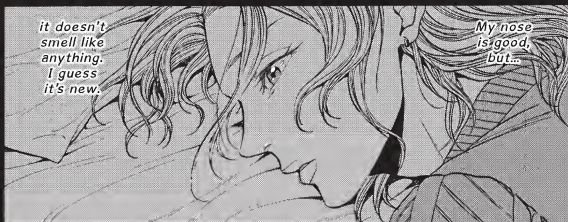
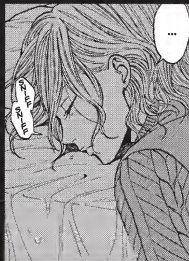
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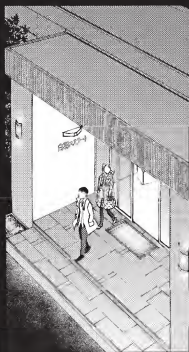
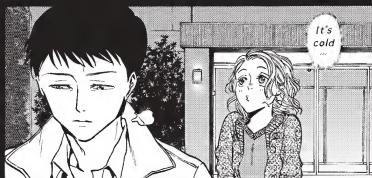
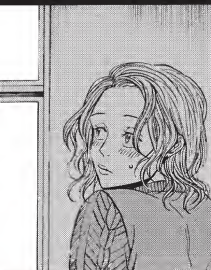


Be-  
cause I  
cleaned  
up.

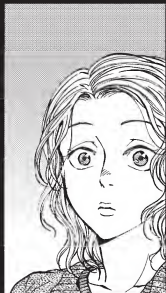
It's  
a nice  
room...











If it's awkward, you can give up on it anytime.



But I guess staying with someone is weird.



I didn't really think too hard about it when I invited you to stay...



Ye—  
No, it's just...

And you just keep saying, "yeah."

Well, you've been on edge this whole time.

Why would you say that?!

Huh?  
Uh...



You don't have to actually imagine it.

But... a female Sawazaki...

Huh. I wonder. Things come up when women live together, too...



you'd probably be a little more relaxed.

and a little closer to your age,



If I were a woman ...

I'm not on edge because I'm uncomfortable ...

You get nervous before a trip or when you go out, right?





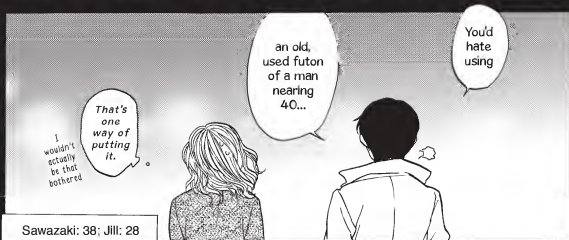
I've been planning on buying a futon for guests anyways.



The futon. Did you just buy it?



You don't have to worry about me...



I wouldn't actually be that bothered

That's one way of putting it.

an old, used futon of a man nearing 40...

You'd hate using

Sawazaki: 38; Jill: 28

No ulterior motives. It's almost boring.

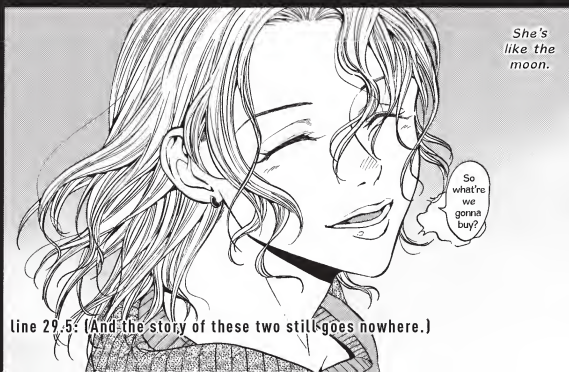
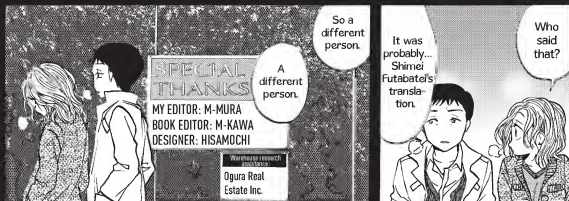


He really is just looking out for his subordinate.



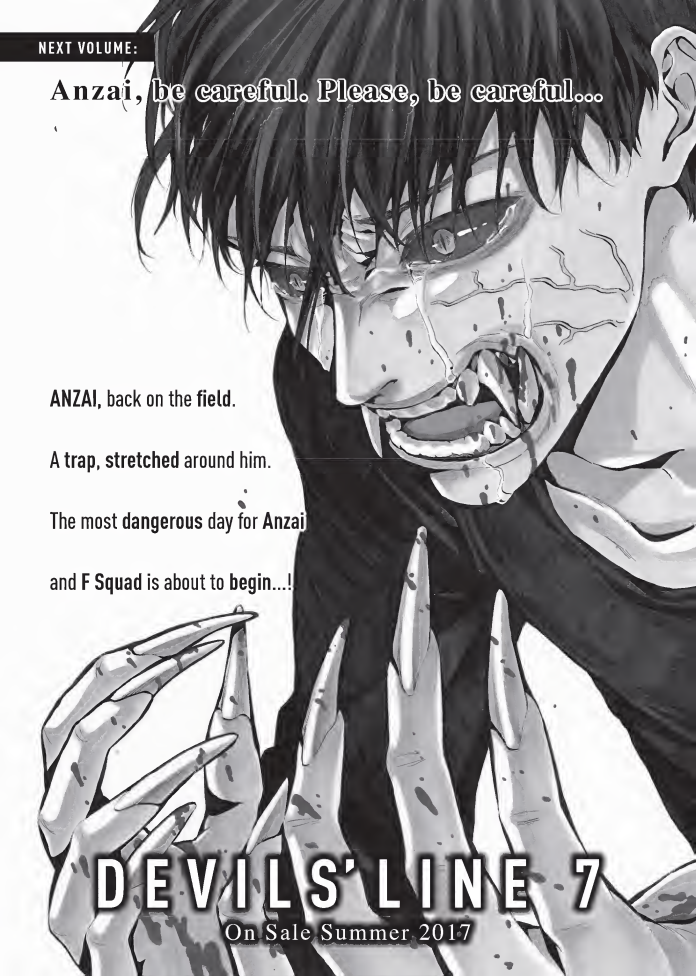






line 29.5: (And the story of these two still goes nowhere.)



A black and white manga-style illustration of a young man with dark, messy hair. He has a menacing expression, showing sharp fangs and a wide, toothy grin. His face is covered in scratches and blood splatters. He is wearing a dark turtleneck sweater. His hands are visible at the bottom, with long, sharp claws extending from his fingers. The background is plain white.

NEXT VOLUME:

Anzai, be careful. Please, be careful...

ANZAI, back on the field.

A trap, stretched around him.

The most dangerous day for Anzai

and F Squad is about to begin...!

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